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1. The following table gives the 1950 exports of Lumber and Lumber products from the DDR (interzonal exports not included):

	1950 Planned Exports	Exports Contracted for during 1950	Actual Exports Delivered to Border by 31/12/50
Coniferous sawn lumber:	347,000	393,400	372,000
(in cubic meters)			
USSR	-	(240,700)	(244,200)
Poland	-	(114,700)	(110,300)
Czechoslovakia	-	(17,000)	(800)
Hungary	-	(16,000)	(16,000)
Switzerland	-	(5,000)	(700)
Sawn beech lumber to USSR:	70,000	50,000	16,300
(in cubic meters)			
Beams (in cubic meters):	68,500	63,500	59,500
USSR	-	(40,000)	(40,600)
Poland	-	(19,400)	(14,800)
Hungary	-	(4,100)	(4,100)
Pit planks to Hungary:	7,500	10,000	7,100
((in cubic meters):			
Coniferous logs (in cubic meters):	35,000	33,800	33,500
USSR	-	(27,000)	(26,700)
Switzerland	-	(6,800)	(6,800)
Sawn beech logs (in cubic meters):	98,000	88,000	37,900
USSR	-	(16,600)	(10,000)
Poland	-	(35,000)	(100)
Czechoslovakia	-	(16,400)	(10,200)
Hungary	-	(20,000)	(17,600)
lder logs to Hungary:	300	300	300
(in cubic meters)			

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	1950 Planned Exports	Exports Contracted for during 1950	Actual Exports Delivered to Border by 31/12/50
Pit props (in cubic meters):	331,000	326,100	333,100
USSR	"	(150,000)	(150,400)
Poland	"	(128,900)	(117,400)
Czechoslovakia	"	(27,200)	(23,400)
Hungary	"	(50,000)	(40,600)
Belgium	"	(6,500)	(1,300)
Fiber wood to USSR: (in cubic meters)	100,000	110,000	110,700
Prefabricated houses to USSR: * (in US dollars)	2,280,000	2,398,700	2,432,200
Barracks to Poland: (in US dollars)	1,720,000	1,060,400	935,500
Grates (in US dollars):	1,500,000	592,300	546,700
USSR	"	(320,000)	(321,000)
Poland	"	(272,300)	(225,700)
Barrels (in US dollars):	1,750,000	987,000	918,100
USSR	"	(842,500)	(839,600)
Poland	"	(144,500)	(78,500)
Parquet floor boards : (in square meters)	100,000	100,000	88,100
USSR	"	(75,000)	(76,700)
Poland	"	(25,000)	(11,400)
Furniture to Poland: (in US dollars)	9,500,000	1,592,900	1,438,100
Woodenware (in US dollars):	3,500,000	200,300	46,600
Poland	"	(190,700)	(40,700)
Czechoslovakia	"	(6,400)	(4,700)
Holland	"	(1,900)	"
Sweden	"	(800)	(800)
Switzerland	"	(500)	(400)

2. Following is the 1951 export plan for wood from the DDR:

	Country of Destination	1951 Planned Exports	Unit of Quantity
Coniferous lumber	USSR	300	cubic meters
Pit props	USSR	100,000	cubic meters
	Poland	80,000	cubic meters
	Czechoslovakia	25,000	cubic meters
	Hungary	25,000	cubic meters
	West Germany	120,000	cubic meters
Mine planks	Poland	7,500	cubic meters
Fast timber	Hungary	7,500	cubic meters
	Poland	12,500	cubic meters
Floor boards	USSR	100,000	Square meters
	Poland	50,000	Square meters
Window-frames and doors	USSR	2,500,000	Rubles
Prefabricated houses *	USSR	500,000	Square meters
Barracks	Poland	6,500	Square meters
Barrels	USSR	3,000	Pieces
Grates	USSR	3,200	Cubic meters
	Poland	3,200	Cubic meters

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3. The following imports of lumber are planned by the DDR for the Five-Year-Plan:**

	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>
Deciduous lumber (in cubic meters)	10,500	18,000	19,000	20,000	20,000
Coniferous lumber (in cubic meters)	-	75,000	100,000	130,000	150,000
Spruce wood fiber (in cubic meters)	-	1,200,000	1,400,000	1,600,000	1,800,000

25X1A * **Comment:** Prefabricated (Standard) houses are sold to the USSR at the official price of 230 DM per square meter, a price corresponding to 112 rubles on the official clearing books. Beginning with 1951, none of the exports of prefabricated houses to the USSR will be classed as reparations, but the same amount as in previous years will go to the USSR as normal exports. For the manufacture of these houses, the DDR will require 325,000 cubic meters of the best coniferous lumber. The USSR is expected to deliver a certain portion of this lumber, earmarked for the manufacture of prefabricated houses. There is some hope in DDR technical circles of substituting some of the newly-developed "Anhydrid" houses, made of synthetic materials, for the costly wooden prefabricated houses.

25X1A ** **Comment:** The lumber imports will be needed primarily to meet the DDR exports to the USSR. The spruce wood fiber is for cellulose production; there seems little possibility of importing these amounts, in which cases an equivalent amount of cellulose will have to be imported directly.

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